

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF S.B. 284: AN ACT INCREASING THE AGE FROM EIGHT TO EIGHTEEN YEARS FOR AN INCOME-ELIGIBLE PERSON TO OBTAIN MEDICAL ASSISTANCE REGARDLESS OF IMMIGRATION STATUS.

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE OF CT GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Dear members of the Connecticut Human Services Committee:

Good afternoon, my name is Tania Cayambe and I live in New Britain. I am a member of the organization Manos Unidas (Hands United). I am in favor of S.B. 284: AN ACT INCREASING THE AGE FROM EIGHT TO EIGHTEEN YEARS FOR AN INCOME-ELIGIBLE PERSON TO OBTAIN MEDICAL ASSISTANCE REGARDLESS OF IMMIGRATION STATUS because it would be a step forward to get access to HUSKY for all immigrant community, regardless of age.

I came to this country 2 years ago. I need medical and dental care, and because I don't have health insurance I don't go to the hospital. I have a little boy and my younger brother, so I am afraid of getting very sick and not being able to take care of them.

I have bleeding problems and I feel I need to go to the doctor but I haven't gone because I don't have insurance and I won't be able to pay.

I am asking the committee to support S.B. 284: AN ACT INCREASING THE AGE FROM EIGHT TO EIGHTEEN YEARS FOR AN INCOME-ELIGIBLE PERSON TO OBTAIN MEDICAL ASSISTANCE REGARDLESS OF IMMIGRATION STATUS. Please listen to me and all of the immigrants who need help with this problem.

Thank you,
Tania Cayambe,